

Some of them are living like that now, and some of the communities down there have been virtually emptied out of the working-age people. Senior citizens only sitting there waiting for the giant ATM America to zap a portion of the \$20 billion that goes to Mexico or the overall \$30 billion that goes to Mexico and Central and parts of South America. That is \$30 billion out of the wages earned here that are wired down there, and some to be saved in banks for retirement, as they plan on returning back, and some to be spent to maintain the senior citizens that are there, the parents and the extended family members.

What does this do for Mexico if we set up a policy here that draws or magnetizes and attracts every willing person in Mexico and in Central America to come to the United States and empties out their communities and drains them of the flower of their youth and the productivity and the vitality of their Nation? What future then does that country have, particularly Mexico, with the vast natural resources, with the huge quantity of oil, much of it not developed to the extent it should be? This Nation would sit there on a massive supply of natural resources without the human energy, without the skills, without the education, without the technology to develop it.

Nature abhors a vacuum. Something, Mr. Speaker, will fill that vacuum. We have the Chinese that are in Central America today, and they are involved in drilling for oil offshore of Cuba, between Cuba and Florida. They are involved in the Panama Canal. They are looking, I am convinced, at potentially filling a vacuum that could be created.

I submit that we shut off the jobs magnet. I submit that, when we do so, there will be people making a decision to go back to their home country because that opportunity they came for is no longer here. If that happens, Mr. Speaker, we can send back to their home country a very skilled and educated group of people who can transform Mexico and take them into the 21st century.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent, leave of absence was granted to:

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California (at the request of Ms. PELOSI) for today.

SPECIAL ORDERS GRANTED

By unanimous consent, permission to address the House, following the legislative program and any special orders heretofore entered, was granted to:

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. DEFAZIO) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. DEFAZIO, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. WOOLSEY, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. PALLONE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. BLUMENAUER, for 5 minutes, today.

Mrs. MCCARTHY, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. EMANUEL, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. STUPAK, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. VAN HOLLEN, for 5 minutes, today.

Ms. CORRINE BROWN of Florida, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. McDERMOTT, for 5 minutes, today.

(The following Members (at the request of Mr. MACK) to revise and extend their remarks and include extraneous material:)

Mr. CULBERSON, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. POE, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. GARRETT of New Jersey, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. JONES of North Carolina, for 5 minutes, May 9, 10, and 11.

Mr. BASS, for 5 minutes, May 9.

Ms. FOXX, for 5 minutes, today.

Mr. McHENRY, for 5 minutes, May 9, 10, and 11.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. KING of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do now adjourn.

The motion was agreed to; accordingly (at 5 o'clock and 8 minutes p.m.), under its previous order, the House adjourned until Monday, May 8, 2006, at 2 p.m.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 8 of rule XII, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

7234. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting notification of His decision to take no action to suspend or prohibit the proposed acquisition of Ross Catherall US Holdings Inc., pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 2170; to the Committee on Financial Services.

7235. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Energy, transmitting the Department's report entitled, "Solar and Wind Technologies for Hydrogen Production Report to Congress," pursuant to Public Law 109-58, section 812; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

7236. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Treasury, transmitting as required by section 401(c) of the National Emergencies Act, 50 U.S.C. 1641(c), and section 204(c) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, 50 U.S.C. 1703(c), a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Syria that was declared in Executive Order 13338 of May 11, 2004; to the Committee on International Relations.

7237. A letter from the Secretary, Department of the Treasury, transmitting a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to significant narcotics traffickers centered in Colombia that was declared in Executive Order 13313 of July 31, 2003, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1641(c) 50 U.S.C. 1703(c); to the Committee on International Relations.

7238. A letter from the Deputy Director, Defense Security Cooperation Agency, transmitting pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, as amended, Transmittal No. 06-23, concerning the Department of the Navy's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to

Turkey for defense articles and services; to the Committee on International Relations.

7239. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting an Accountability Review Board report and recommendations concerning serious injury, loss of life or significant destruction of property at a U.S. mission abroad, pursuant to 2 U.S.C. 4831 et seq.; to the Committee on International Relations.

7240. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting a report for 2004 on the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) Activities in countries described in Section 307 (a) of the Foreign Assistance Act, pursuant to 22 U.S.C. 2227(a); to the Committee on International Relations.

7241. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 16-369, "Tenant Evictions Reform Amendment Act of 2006," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

7242. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 16-368, "Scrap Vehicle Title Authorization Act of 2006," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

7243. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 16-367, "Child Support Guideline Revision Act of 2006," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

7244. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. ACT 16-366, "Uniform Family Support Amendment Act of 2006," pursuant to D.C. Code section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on Government Reform.

7245. A letter from the Director, Contracts and Acquisitions Management, Department of Education, transmitting pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Activities Inventory Reform (FAIR) Act of 1998 (Pub. L. 105-270) and OMB Circular A-76, Performance of Commercial Activities, the Department's FY 2005 inventory of commercial activities performed by federal employees and inventory of inherently governmental activities; to the Committee on Government Reform.

7246. A letter from the Director, Office of Science, Department of Energy, transmitting a letter regarding the upcoming competition for the contract to manage and operate the Argonne National Laboratory; to the Committee on Government Reform.

7247. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Transportation, transmitting the Departments' Report on Management Decisions and Final Actions on Office of Inspector General Audit Recommendations for the period ending September 30, 2005, pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 9106; to the Committee on Government Reform.

7248. A letter from the Inspector General, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's FY 2005 inventory of commercial and inherently governmental activities prepared in accordance with the Federal Activities Reform (FAIR) Act of 1998 (P.L. 105-270) and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular No. A-76; to the Committee on Government Reform.

7249. A letter from the Assistant Secretary for Policy, Management, and Budget, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's inventory of commercial and inherently governmental activities prepared in accordance with the Federal Activities Reform (FAIR) Act of 1998 (P.L. 105-270) and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular No. A-76; to the Committee on Government Reform.

7250. A letter from the Chair, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, transmitting the Commission's annual reports for